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Hon. Deana Williamson, Clerk Texas Court of Criminal Appeals

Re: State v. Traylor, No. PD-0967-17

Notice of Unavailability due to Medical Condition

Dear Ms. Williamson

I am lead counsel for the State in this matter.

The Court granted discretionary review in this case with the proviso that oral argument was permitted. The State filed its brief on January 31, 2018. Appellant's brief is due to be filed on March 16, 2018. Based on my experience and the Court's calendar, this case might be set for oral argument during the first two weeks of April of this year.

I am undergoing neck surgery—dual fusion at C5-C7—that is to be scheduled for the first week of April. I will be unable to attend argument should the Court schedule it in April. No other assistant district attorney in this office is currently prepared on this case, and our current calendars make it difficult for another assistant district attorney to prepare in time for an April argument.

Accordingly, the State requests that argument in this matter be delayed until May of 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

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